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Update topics

- Kings Basin IRWM DAC Project
- Governor's Drinking Water Stakeholder Group
- Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program
- CV SALTS



Kings Basin IRWM DAC Project

- Assist DWR in developing methods to improve DAC participation in State and Kings Basin IRWM plan
- Develop a comprehensive inventory of all DACs and their water related needs
- Engage and integrate DACs into the IRWMP
- Develop conceptual project descriptions and cost estimates to include in the IRWMP master project list
- Facilitate partnerships between DACs and IRWMP members.



Outcomes of Study

- Inventoried over 100 DACS in the Kings Basin region
- Clarified for communities water-related issues impacting their communities
- Explored regional solutions and types of collaborations
- Provided practical solutions that can be leveraged into IRWMP process
 - 5 potential pilot projects identified



Pilot Projects

- Economy of Scale Analysis
- Community Survey
- Wastewater Improvements
- Water Supply Deficit
- Water Treatment Improvements



Governor's Drinking Water Stakeholder Group

- Formed in June 2012
- Diverse group of stakeholders
- Stakeholder Group Charge:
 - Develop a shared understanding O&M challenges and challenges encountered by creative solutions accessing state agency programs
 - Identify promising solutions
 - Develop a plan with likelihood for closing these gaps
 - Make a recommendation to the Governor's Office



Governor's Drinking Water Stakeholder Group

- First report issued Aug. 2012
 - Reached key agreements
 - Identify water needs to improve data collection and management
 - Incentivize and promote sustainable solutions
 - Ensure DACS have access to interim sources of water
 - Increase access to funding sources and easy navigation to funding systems and requirements
 - Reduce costs to secure and sustain solutions
 - Continued engagement betw. Stakeholders and State agencies



Governor's Drinking Water Stakeholder Group

- Second report issued in August 2013 New and Expanded Funding Sources
- Third report anticipated in Nov./Dec 2014 to address data collection and management for local and small water systems